CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

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Applicant:	Secretary for Internal Affairs
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive note:	None
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	20 October 2016
Date of direction to issue a label:	No direction to issue a label has been issued
Date of notice of decision:	20 October 2016

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file depicts boys posing naked. It exploits the nudity of its young subjects to such a high degree that its availability is likely to be injurious to the public good and it is therefore classified as objectionable. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from exploitation.